

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

1. (Currently amended): A R-Fe-B base rare earth permanent magnet material consisting of, in percents by weight,

R	25 to 45 wt%,
Co	0.1 to 4.5 wt%,
B	0.8 to 1.4 wt%,
Al	0.05 to 3.0 wt%,
Cu	0.02 to 0.5 wt%,
M	0.03 to 0.5 wt%,
C	0.01 to 0.5 wt%,
O	0.05 to 3.0 wt%,
N	0.002 to 0.1 wt%,
F	0.001 to 2.0 wt%,

with the balance of Fe and incidental impurities, wherein R is at least one element selected from the group consisting of Nd, Pr, Dy, Tb and Ho, and M is at least one element selected from the group consisting of Zr, Hf, Ti, [[Cr,]] Nb, Mo, Si, Sn, Zn, V, W and Cr₂

said magnet material comprising a R-O-F compound which is localized at triple points in the magnet.

2. (Original): The R-Fe-B base rare earth permanent magnet material of claim 1, having a F content of 0.005 to 1.5 wt%.

3. (Original): The R-Fe-B base rare earth permanent magnet material of claim 2, having a F content of 0.008 to 1.0 wt%.

4. (New): The R-Fe-B base rare earth permanent magnet material of claim 1, having a F content of 0.03 to 1.9 wt%.

5. (New): The R-Fe-B base rare earth permanent magnet material of claim 1, having a F content of 0.12 to 1.2 wt%.

6. (New): The R-Fe-B base rare earth permanent magnet material of claim 1, having a N content of 0.008 to 0.1 wt%.